

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The National Weather Service office in Aberdeen, the Watertown Area Career Learning Center in Watertown, the South Dakota Discovery Center in Pierre, and the Mammoth Site in Hot Springs, in conjunction with state and local schools, agencies, and businesses, are hosting Women in Science Conferences during the week of March 8-13, 2004; and,

Whereas, The Women in Science forum is designed to address the important issue of why young women lose interest in science-related careers; and,

Whereas, The Women in Science Conferences will provide young women opportunities to meet professional women scientists and to make personal connections with them; and,

Whereas, The Women of Science Conferences will promote a positive image of science-related careers and encourage young women to cultivate their interest in science; and,

Whereas, The Women in Science Conferences will provide young women with information on the endless opportunities available in science-related career fields; and,

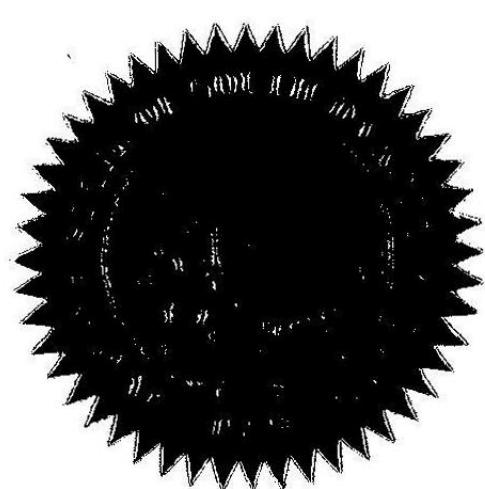
Whereas, The Women in Science Conferences will help increase the number of women in science programs in junior and senior high schools and universities; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper that the Governor of the state of South Dakota recognize the importance of women serving in science related career fields:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 8-13, 2004, as

WOMEN IN SCIENCE WEEK

in South Dakota.

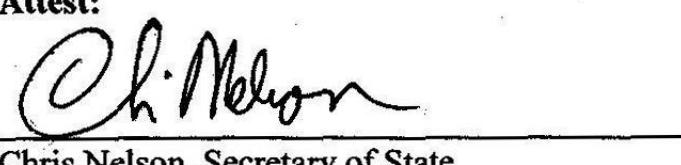


In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State